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- 1) [X] Preliminary Statements
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- 9) [X] PTO-1449
- 10) [X] Identification of Person(s) Making this  
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REFERENCE DESIGNATION

CONCISE EXPLANATION

AA

a paint utensil cleaning container

AB

a container for temporarily holding  
and storing a wet paintbrush

AC

a paint brush cleaning, drying, and  
storage container

AD

a container for soaking and  
preserving paint brushes and paint  
roller covers

AE

a paint brush holder

9. FORM PTO-1449 (Modified)

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